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Key: a- asked price; b- bid price: n- nominal quotation

The open contract figures shown in this publication are the aggregates of positions long (or short) carried on the books of clearing members.



Table 1. WHEAT: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: Chicago : Board of : Trade	: Minneapolis : : Grain : : Exchange :	: Kansas City : : Board of : : Trade :	: Other : : contract : : markets :	Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	30,531	2,985	3,590	334	37,440
2	21,107	1,768	2,751	254	25,880
3	17,148	2,397	1,452	354	21,351
4	13,378	2,427	1,285	261	17,351
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
8	18,843	3,057	1,484	406	23,790
9	21,262	3,547	2,126	485	27,420
10	15,732	2,173	1,585	396	19,886
11	17,282	2,285	1,382	313	21,262
Saturday					
Sunday					
14	20,676	2,715	1,330	615	25,336
15	26,013	2,393	1,503	486	30,395
16	20,194	2,945	1,684	406	25,229
17	30,751	3,078	1,870	565	36,264
18	23,069	3,384	1,875	471	28,799
Saturday					
Sunday					
21	12,766	3,079	770	362	16,977
22	13,858	1,944	1,335	360	17,497
23	11,025	1,548	866	337	13,776
24	17,609	1,460	1,593	326	20,988
25	15,054	2,085	968	358	18,465
Saturday					
Sunday					
28	12,237	2,459	1,444	362	16,502
29	14,146	1,903	1,653	432	18,134
30	10,397	1,173	1,055	348	12,973
Total					
Sept. 1953	383,078	50,805	33,601	8,231	475,715
Aug. 1953	560,310	64,999	56,468	7,111	688,888
Sept. 1952	148,671	48,294	49,475	3,598	250,038

Table 2. WHEAT: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future						All futures
	September	December	March	May	July		
1953 September	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	5,733	16,106	3,022	5,498	172		30,531
2	3,212	11,681	1,876	4,183	155		21,107
3	1,430	8,920	2,122	4,283	393		17,148
4	585	7,461	1,754	3,281	297		13,378
Saturday							
Sunday							
Holiday							
8	828	10,993	1,641	4,041	1,340		18,843
9	956	12,221	1,934	5,380	771		21,262
10	431	9,758	1,820	3,431	292		15,732
11	482	10,428	1,670	4,335	367		17,282
Saturday							
Sunday							
14	435	11,354	3,343	4,856	688		20,676
15	681	14,722	3,531	6,672	407		26,013
16	531	11,634	3,274	4,188	517		20,194
17	890	16,095	5,101	7,461	1,204		30,751
18	595	12,178	5,065	4,681	550		23,069
Saturday							
Sunday							
21	1,035	7,428	1,609	2,498	196		12,766
22	---	8,281	1,695	3,313	569		13,858
23	---	6,379	1,767	2,370	509		11,025
24	---	9,627	2,387	5,055	540		17,609
25	---	8,101	3,188	3,079	686		15,054
Saturday							
Sunday							
28	---	7,411	2,457	1,932	437		12,237
29	---	8,158	2,056	3,336	596		14,146
30	---	6,386	1,790	1,632	589		10,397
Total							
Sept. 1953	17,874	215,322	53,102	85,505	11,275		383,078
Aug. 1953	106,851	256,281	82,509	114,402	267		560,310
Sept. 1952	8,324	82,138	24,169	29,720	4,320		148,671



Table 3. WHEAT: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: Chicago : : Board of : : Trade :	Minneapolis : : Grain : : Exchange :	Kansas City : : Board of : : Trade :	Other : : contract : : markets :	Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	97,360	12,642	17,997	450	128,449
2	98,419	12,552	17,790	465	129,226
3	97,606	12,645	17,421	451	128,123
4	96,915	12,654	17,188	454	127,211
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
8	96,819	12,659	17,013	496	126,987
9	96,790	12,678	16,841	554	126,863
10	97,886	12,106	16,534	583	127,109
11	97,375	12,054	16,533	590	126,552
Saturday					
Sunday					
14	96,585	12,119	16,204	558	125,466
15	95,296	11,553	16,008	579	123,436
16	94,153	11,304	16,032	583	122,072
17	94,774	10,809	15,710	552	121,845
18	93,279	10,898	15,520	558	120,255
Saturday					
Sunday					
21	94,110	10,802	15,428	545	120,885
22	93,445	10,583	15,050	577	119,655
23	93,583	10,664	14,858	566	119,671
24	93,914	10,684	14,578	576	119,752
25	94,732	10,726	14,495	593	120,546
Saturday					
Sunday					
28	93,964	10,916	14,586	592	120,058
29	92,778	10,953	14,002	599	118,332
30	92,535	10,936	13,710	615	117,796

Table 4. WHEAT: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1953 September	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	4,641	50,096	21,693	20,617	313	97,360
2	4,201	51,338	21,762	20,795	323	98,419
3	3,038	51,478	21,628	21,033	429	97,606
4	2,551	51,547	21,330	20,926	561	96,915
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
8	2,438	50,731	21,075	20,843	1,732	96,819
9	2,260	50,343	21,416	20,791	1,980	96,790
10	1,875	51,534	21,376	21,088	2,013	97,886
11	1,643	50,857	21,579	21,262	2,034	97,375
Saturday						
Sunday						
14	1,499	49,678	21,606	21,826	1,976	96,585
15	1,279	49,319	21,328	21,412	1,958	95,296
16	1,143	48,907	21,114	21,064	1,925	94,153
17	921	49,017	21,506	21,626	1,704	94,774
18	600	48,138	21,335	21,624	1,582	93,279
Saturday						
Sunday						
21	411	48,874	21,363	21,836	1,626	94,110
22	65	48,926	21,223	21,730	1,501	93,445
23	---	48,376	21,268	22,098	1,841	93,583
24	---	48,234	21,359	22,367	1,954	93,914
25	---	48,111	22,244	22,152	2,225	94,732
Saturday						
Sunday						
28	---	47,304	22,138	22,195	2,327	93,964
29	---	46,191	22,200	21,951	2,436	92,778
30	---	45,830	22,436	21,833	2,436	92,535

Table 5. WHEAT: Daily closing prices, at Chicago, Minneapolis and Kansas City  
September 1953

Date	1953 December future		
	Chicago	Minneapolis	Kansas City
	Board of	Grain	Board of
	Trade	Exchange	Trade
1953 September	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	194 3/4-95	213 1/2	205 1/2-06
2	195 3/4-96	214 1/8	206 1/4-7/8
3	194 3/4-95	215 1/4 a	205-05 1/4
4	195 3/4-96	213 1/4	206 1/4
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
8	198 3/4-99	218-18 1/4	208 5/8-3/4
9	197 5/8-7/8	217 1/2	207 3/4
10	195 3/4-96	216 1/8	206 3/8-1/2
11	194 7/8-95 1/8	216 3/4	204 3/4-7/8
Saturday			
Sunday			
14	191 3/4-7/8	216 1/4	202 5/8-3/4
15	189 5/8-3/4	217 1/4	199 1/8-1/2
16	192 5/8-3/4	218-18 1/8	201 3/4-7/8
17	189-89 1/4	217 3/8	198 3/8-1/2
18	190 1/2-3/4	219 1/2-5/8	199 1/4-1/2
Saturday			
Sunday			
21	190-90 1/8	219	198 5/8-3/4
22	190 1/8-1/4	218 1/4	199 1/8-1/4
23	189 3/8-1/2	216 5/8	197 5/8-3/4
24	192 1/8-1/4	218 1/4	200-200 1/8
25	193 3/8-1/2	220	201 1/8-1/4
Saturday			
Sunday			
28	195-95 1/8	220	202 7/8
29	194 3/8-1/2	218 3/4	201 3/4
30	193 3/8-1/2	217 7/8	200 1/2

Table 6. WHEAT: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1953

Date	1953 September future			1953 December future			1954 March future		
	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing
1953									
September:	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	:190 1/4	185 3/4	139 1/2-90	:195 1/2	191 1/4	194 3/4-95	:199	194 3/4	197 3/4-98
2	:191 7/8	188	190 1/2	:197	193 3/8	195 3/4-96	:200	196 1/2	198 1/2-3/4
3	:190	188 1/4	189 1/4-5/8	:195 1/2	193 1/2	194 3/4-95	:198 1/4	196 1/4	197 3/4-98
4	:191	188 3/4	190 1/2-5/8	:196 3/8	194	195 3/4-96	:198 3/8	196 1/2	198
Saturday:									
Sunday :									
Holiday :									
8	:193 1/2	190 3/4	193 1/4-1/2	:199 1/8	196 1/8	198 3/4-99	:200 7/8	198 1/4	200 5/8-3/4
9	:195 1/4	192 3/4	193-93 3/8	:199 7/8	197 5/8	197 5/8-7/8	:201 7/8	199 3/4	199 7/8-200
10	:193 1/2	191 1/4	191 1/4	:197 1/2	195 3/4	195 3/4-96	:199 1/2	198 1/4	198 1/4-1/2
11	:192 3/4	190 1/8	191-91 1/4	:196 1/2	194 5/8	194 7/8-95 1/8	:199 1/4	197 1/2	197 7/8-98
Saturday:									
Sunday :									
14	:191 1/2	187 1/2	187 1/2-3/4	:195 1/8	191 3/4	191 3/4-7/8	:197 7/8	194 1/2	194 1/2-3/4
15	:189 1/2	185 3/4	185 3/4	:193 1/4	189 5/8	189 5/8-3/4	:195 3/4	192	192-92 1/4
16	:189 7/8	185 3/4	189 1/2	:193 5/8	189 1/2	192 5/8-3/4	:196 1/8	192 1/4	195 1/4-3/8
17	:189 3/4	184 1/4	186-86 3/4	:193 1/4	186 3/4	189-89 1/4	:196	189 1/2	191 1/2-3/4
18	:187	183 1/4	186 1/2	:190 3/4	186 3/4	190 1/2-3/4	:193 1/4	189 1/2	193-93 1/4
Saturday:									
Sunday :									
21	:188	185	186-87	:191 3/4	189	190-90 1/8	:194 1/4	192	192 1/2-3/4
22	:---	---	---	:191	188 5/8	190 1/8-1/4	:193 3/8	191 1/8	192 1/2-5/8
23	:---	---	---	:191	189	189 3/8-1/2	:193 1/8	191 3/8	191 1/2-5/8
24	:---	---	---	:193	189 1/8	192 1/8-1/4	:195 1/2	191 1/2	194 1/8-3/8
25	:---	---	---	:194 1/4	191 3/4	193 3/8-1/2	:196 1/8	193 3/4	195 1/2-5/8
Saturday:									
Sunday :									
28	:---	---	---	:195 3/8	193 1/2	195-95 1/8	:197 1/8	195 3/8	196 3/4-7/8
29	:---	---	---	:196 1/8	194 1/8	194 3/8-1/2	:198	196	196 1/4-3/8
30	:---	---	---	:194 3/4	193 1/8	193 3/8-1/2	:196 5/8	195	195 1/4-1/2

Table 7. CORN: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: : Chicago : Board of : Trade	: : Other : contract : markets	: : Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000
<u>September</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	14,938	137	15,075
2	15,305	139	15,444
3	14,508	87	14,595
4	14,785	180	14,965
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
8	10,959	127	11,086
9	15,423	140	15,563
10	8,017	154	8,171
11	14,100	182	14,282
Saturday			
Sunday			
14	9,852	74	9,926
15	11,909	106	12,015
16	10,120	111	10,231
17	11,988	123	12,111
18	12,373	151	12,524
Saturday			
Sunday			
21	16,278	147	16,425
22	10,133	137	10,270
23	7,416	162	7,578
24	9,748	190	9,938
25	8,522	152	8,674
Saturday			
Sunday			
28	6,865	117	6,982
29	8,635	183	8,818
30	7,782	173	7,955
Total			
Sept. 1953	239,656	2,972	242,628
Aug. 1953	234,902	2,445	237,347
Sept. 1952	206,639	3,826	210,465



Table 8. CORN: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	2,148	10,229	1,287	1,274		14,938
2	2,804	8,954	1,281	2,266		15,305
3	2,140	9,113	1,275	1,980		14,508
4	1,769	8,925	1,533	2,558		14,785
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
8	2,129	6,258	723	1,849		10,959
9	2,371	9,092	1,933	2,027		15,423
10	1,903	4,349	856	909		8,017
11	1,531	9,778	1,231	1,560		14,100
Saturday						
Sunday						
14	1,289	6,280	741	1,542		9,852
15	1,844	7,078	1,112	1,875		11,909
16	1,405	6,235	905	1,554	21	10,120
17	2,095	6,492	1,410	1,979	12	11,988
18	2,817	6,929	883	1,711	33	12,373
Saturday						
Sunday						
21	7,081	6,722	601	1,561	313	16,278
22	---	7,639	855	1,301	338	10,133
23	---	5,232	616	1,296	272	7,416
24	---	6,757	1,100	1,787	104	9,748
25	---	5,699	806	1,893	124	8,522
Saturday						
Sunday						
28	---	5,255	517	985	108	6,865
29	---	5,975	758	1,660	242	8,635
30	---	5,271	774	1,624	113	7,782
Total						
Sept. 1953	33,326	148,262	21,197	35,191	1,680	239,656
Aug. 1953	71,450	118,337	17,804	27,311	---	234,902
Sept. 1952	30,367	129,998	19,445	24,951	1,878	206,639

Table 9. CORN: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: Chicago Board of Trade	: Other contract markets	: Total
1953 September	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	56,060	234	56,294
2	56,324	240	56,564
3	55,797	241	56,038
4	55,570	245	55,815
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
8	55,859	249	56,108
9	54,670	255	54,925
10	54,859	272	55,131
11	56,159	277	56,436
Saturday			
Sunday			
14	56,578	275	56,853
15	56,843	276	57,119
16	57,274	261	57,535
17	57,031	270	57,301
18	55,372	271	55,643
Saturday			
Sunday			
21	52,264	255	52,519
22	52,803	257	53,060
23	53,358	261	53,619
24	54,179	269	54,448
25	53,983	252	54,235
Saturday			
Sunday			
28	53,948	262	54,210
29	54,126	268	54,394
30	53,601	280	53,881

Table 10. CORN: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	8,857	26,011	8,400	12,792		56,060
2	8,450	26,378	8,461	13,035		56,324
3	8,265	25,613	8,336	13,583		55,797
4	8,325	24,632	8,354	14,259		55,570
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
8	8,310	24,460	8,507	14,582		55,859
9	7,905	23,523	8,600	14,642		54,670
10	7,712	23,955	8,692	14,500		54,859
11	7,260	25,669	8,598	14,632		56,159
Saturday						
Sunday						
14	7,086	26,141	8,644	14,707		56,578
15	6,888	26,078	8,835	15,042		56,843
16	6,581	26,613	8,963	15,101	16	57,274
17	5,807	26,562	8,947	15,688	27	57,031
18	4,382	26,276	9,022	15,637	55	55,372
Saturday						
Sunday						
21	335	26,664	9,115	15,833	317	52,264
22	335	26,775	9,231	15,838	624	52,803
23	335	27,164	9,379	15,769	711	53,358
24	335	27,395	9,482	16,232	735	54,179
25	335	26,932	9,581	16,379	756	53,983
Saturday						
Sunday						
28	335	26,797	9,550	16,455	811	53,948
29	335	27,002	9,527	16,296	966	54,126
30	---	26,814	9,497	16,319	971	53,601



Table 11. CORN: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1953

Date	1953 September future			1953 December future			1954 March future		
	:High	Low	Closing	:High	Low	Closing	:High	Low	Closing
1953									
September:	Cents	Cents	Cents	:Cents	Cents	Cents	:Cents	Cents	Cents
1	:156 1/8	154 1/2	155 7/8-56 1/8	:148 1/8	146 1/4	147 3/4-7/8	:152 3/8	150 1/2	151 7/8
2	:156 7/8	154 1/4	154 3/4-55	:148 1/8	145 3/4	145 3/4-7/8	:152 1/2	150	150-50 1/8
3	:154 1/4	153	153 3/8-5/8	:144 1/2	143	144 3/8-1/2	:148 3/4	147 1/2	148 1/2-3/4
4	:156 3/8	152 3/4	155 1/4-1/2	:146 3/8	143 1/4	146 1/8-1/4	:150	147 1/2	149 3/4-7/8
Saturday	:			:			:		
Sunday	:			:			:		
Holiday	:			:			:		
8	:157	154 3/4	156 5/8-7/8	:147 7/8	145 5/8	147 3/4-7/8	:151 3/8	149	151 1/4-3/8
9	:159	156 1/8	158 1/4-1/2	:150	147 3/8	148 5/8-3/4	:153 1/2	151	152 3/8-1/2
10	:160	157 1/2	158 1/2-5/8	:149	147 1/2	147 1/2-3/4	:152 1/4	151	151-51 1/8
11	:158 1/4	157	157	:147 1/2	145 3/8	145 3/8-1/2	:150 3/4	148 1/2	148 3/4-7/8
Saturday	:			:			:		
Sunday	:			:			:		
14	:157	154 1/2	155 1/8-1/4	:145 7/8	144	144 1/4-3/8	:148 7/8	147	147-47 1/8
15	:155 1/2	153 3/8	153 3/4-7/8	:144 7/8	143 1/4	143 1/2-5/8	:147 3/4	146 1/4	146 1/4
16	:157 3/4	153 1/2	157 1/8-1/2	:146 5/8	143 3/8	146-46 1/4	:149	146 3/8	148 5/8-5/4
17	:158 3/4	156 3/4	158 1/2-5/8	:147 3/8	145 1/2	146 3/8-1/2	:150 1/8	148 1/8	148 5/8-3/4
18	:160 1/8	157 1/2	159 3/4-60	:147 1/8	144 7/8	146 7/8-47	:149	146 3/4	148 7/8
Saturday	:			:			:		
Sunday	:			:			:		
21	:163 1/4	160	161 7/8-63 1/4	:147 7/8	145 7/8	146 1/4-3/8	:149 7/8	147 7/8	148 1/2-5/8
22	:---	---	---	:147 1/4	145 1/2	147 1/8-1/4	:149 1/4	147 5/8	149-49 1/8
23	:---	---	---	:148 1/8	146 7/8	147-47 1/8	:149 5/8	148 1/2	149 1/4-3/8
24	:---	---	---	:148 7/8	146 5/8	148 1/8-1/4	:151 3/8	148 5/8	150 3/4-7/8
25	:---	---	---	:149	146 7/8	147 1/4-3/8	:151 3/4	149 5/8	150 3/8
Saturday	:			:			:		
Sunday	:			:			:		
28	:---	---	---	:148	146 3/4	147 7/8-48	:150 3/4	149 1/2	150 3/4
29	:---	---	---	:148 3/8	146 5/8	147 1/2-5/8	:151 1/4	149 3/4	150 1/2-5/8
30	:---	---	---	:146 7/8	145 1/2	145 5/8-3/4	:150 1/4	148 1/2	148 5/8-3/4



Table 12. OATS: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: Chicago : Board of : Trade	: Minneapolis : Grain : Exchange	: Other : contract : markets	: Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	10,139	551	32	10,722
2	7,250	1,014	33	8,297
3	3,847	572	20	4,439
4	3,900	432	23	4,355
Saturday				
Sunday				
Holiday				
8	2,659	746	---	3,405
9	3,952	531	38	4,521
10	2,701	304	14	3,019
11	6,555	365	21	6,941
Saturday				
Sunday				
14	3,652	362	5	4,019
15	5,956	405	21	6,382
16	5,177	200	5	5,382
17	10,340	356	32	10,728
18	5,708	437	16	6,161
Saturday				
Sunday				
21	5,108	406	14	5,528
22	5,349	196	10	5,555
23	4,216	276	16	4,508
24	4,830	361	14	5,205
25	4,215	283	20	4,518
Saturday				
Sunday				
28	2,555	352	4	2,911
29	3,255	138	15	3,408
30	4,477	325	7	4,809
Total				
Sept. 1953	105,841	8,612	360	114,813
Aug. 1953	172,487	20,545	1,054	194,086
Sept. 1952	181,786	11,309	1,302	194,397

Table 13. OATS: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future						All futures
	September	December	March	May	July		
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	1,219	4,396	1,188	3,193	143		10,139
2	761	3,792	952	1,685	60		7,250
3	362	1,703	874	864	44		3,847
4	402	1,552	1,085	676	185		3,900
Saturday							
Sunday							
Holiday							
8	119	1,607	405	448	80		2,659
9	339	1,590	785	1,123	115		3,952
10	217	1,154	387	898	45		2,701
11	287	3,821	651	1,647	149		6,555
Saturday							
Sunday							
14	170	1,951	504	903	124		3,652
15	415	2,535	956	1,862	188		5,956
16	314	2,924	765	999	175		5,177
17	1,052	5,737	1,786	1,206	559		10,340
18	415	3,182	804	1,176	131		5,708
Saturday							
Sunday							
21	1,634	1,856	299	742	577		5,108
22	---	2,547	679	1,152	971		5,349
23	---	1,774	685	1,423	334		4,216
24	---	1,933	1,271	1,253	373		4,830
25	---	2,179	965	783	288		4,215
Saturday							
Sunday							
28	---	1,121	557	613	264		2,555
29	---	1,671	447	698	439		3,255
30	---	2,491	517	1,054	415		4,477
Total							
Sept. 1953	7,706	51,516	16,562	24,398	5,659		105,841
Aug. 1953	35,598	81,484	30,181	24,708	516		172,487
Sept. 1952	15,791	88,958	38,638	36,200	2,199		181,786

Table 14. OATS: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: Chicago : Board of : Trade	: Minneapolis : Grain : Exchange	: Other : contract : markets	: : Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	57,365	6,306	196	63,867
2	57,263	6,416	210	63,889
3	56,906	6,447	213	63,566
4	56,277	6,296	203	62,776
Saturday				
Sunday				
Holiday				
8	56,746	6,285	203	63,234
9	56,696	6,065	201	62,962
10	56,820	6,024	213	63,057
11	56,652	6,037	220	62,909
Saturday				
Sunday				
14	56,527	5,982	220	62,729
15	56,852	5,876	217	62,945
16	57,230	5,854	217	63,301
17	57,210	5,802	214	63,226
18	56,717	5,750	200	62,667
Saturday				
Sunday				
21	56,384	5,641	190	62,215
22	56,643	5,667	195	62,505
23	56,454	5,674	199	62,327
24	56,391	5,529	187	62,107
25	56,367	5,576	193	62,136
Saturday				
Sunday				
28	56,379	5,539	197	62,115
29	56,455	5,498	198	62,151
30	56,817	5,517	195	62,529



Table 15. OATS: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	4,272	25,478	14,977	12,195	443	57,365
2	3,861	25,494	14,801	12,629	478	57,263
3	3,754	25,330	14,710	12,625	487	56,906
4	3,299	25,137	14,536	12,713	592	56,277
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
8	3,094	25,529	14,615	12,876	632	56,746
9	2,901	25,550	14,644	12,949	652	56,696
10	2,757	25,751	14,713	12,912	687	56,820
11	2,682	25,286	14,657	13,266	761	56,652
Saturday						
Sunday						
14	2,622	25,094	14,587	13,436	788	56,527
15	2,482	25,301	14,347	13,845	877	56,852
16	2,183	25,694	14,483	13,923	947	57,230
17	1,947	25,333	14,762	13,917	1,251	57,210
18	1,499	25,224	14,761	13,921	1,312	56,717
Saturday						
Sunday						
21	340	25,369	14,858	14,155	1,662	56,384
22	160	24,729	14,913	14,608	2,233	56,643
23	---	24,462	15,036	14,674	2,282	56,454
24	---	24,371	15,142	14,538	2,340	56,391
25	---	24,375	15,072	14,548	2,372	56,367
Saturday						
Sunday						
28	---	24,209	15,126	14,750	2,294	56,379
29	---	24,115	15,193	14,805	2,342	56,455
30	---	24,432	15,164	14,897	2,324	56,817

Table 16. OATS: Daily closing prices, Chicago, Minneapolis and Winnipeg; and rate of exchange, Canadian Currency  
September 1953

: 1953 December future : Canadian Currency					
: Chicago : Minneapolis : Winnipeg :					
Date	Board of	Grain	Grain	Closing Quotation	2/
	Trade	Exchange	Exchange		
1953					
September	Cents	Cents	Cents 1/	Percent	
1	75 1/2-5/8	71 1/8	69 1/2 b	1 9/32	Premium
2	75 7/8-76	71 1/2	69 3/4 b	1 3/16	"
3	75 1/2-5/8	71 1/4	69 3/4 b	1 5/32	"
4	75 3/8-1/2	70 3/4	70 1/4 a	1 1/4	"
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
8	75 1/4-3/8	71 7/8 a	70 1/4 b	1 5/16	"
9	75 3/4-7/8	72 1/8 b	70 3/8 b	1 3/8	"
10	75 1/4-3/8	71 7/8 b	70 b	1 3/8	"
11	74 5/8	71 1/2 a	69 7/8 b	1 13/32	"
Saturday					
Sunday					
14	73 3/4-7/8	70 7/8 a	69 1/4 a	1 9/16	"
15	73 1/4	70 a	68 7/8 a	1 1/2	"
16	73 1/2-5/8	70 3/4 b	69 5/8 b	1 9/16	"
17	72 3/8	69 3/8	69 b	1 5/8	"
18	73-73 1/8	70 1/8	69 b	1 11/16	"
Saturday					
Sunday					
21	73 1/2-5/8	70 1/4	69 7/8	1 7/8	"
22	74-74 1/4	70 7/8 b	70 a	1 13/16	"
23	74-74 1/8	70 5/8	70 a	1 27/32	"
24	74 1/2	71 1/4	70 1/2 a	1 27/32	"
25	74 1/2-5/8	71 3/4	70 3/4	1 15/16	"
Saturday					
Sunday					
28	75-75 1/8	72 1/8	70 7/8 a	2 3/32	"
29	75-75 1/8	72 1/4 b	70 5/8 a	2 5/32	"
30	73 3/4-7/8	71 1/4 a	70 1/2	2 9/32	"

1/ Quotations converted into U. S. currency

2/ Basis for converting closing prices on foreign markets into U. S. value

NOTE: Canadian currency quotations furnished by a large Chicago bank.

Table 17. OATS: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1953

Date	1953 September future				1953 December future				1954 March future			
	:High	Low	Closing	:High	:Cents	Low	Closing	:High	:Cents	Low	Closing	:Cents
1953												
September:	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	:73 1/8	71 1/8	72 7/8	:75 5/8	73 3/4	75 1/2-5/8	75 1/2-5/8	:75 5/8	74 1/4	75 1/8		
2	:74 3/4	72 3/4	74 3/8	:76 1/8	75 1/4	75 7/8-76	75 7/8-76	:75 7/8	74 7/8	75 3/4		
3	:74 1/4	72 3/4	73 5/8	:75 7/8	75 1/8	75 1/2-5/8	75 1/2-5/8	:75 3/4	75 1/8	75 5/8		
4	:73 3/8	72 3/4	73 3/8	:75 1/2	74 5/8	75 3/8-1/2	75 3/8-1/2	:75 1/2	74 3/4	75 1/8-1/4		
Saturday	:			:				:				
Sunday	:			:				:				
Holiday	:			:				:				
8	:73 5/8	73	73 3/8	:75 5/8	75	75 1/4-3/8	75 1/4-3/8	:75 5/8	75 1/8	75 5/8		
9	:74 1/4	73 5/8	73 3/4-7/8	:75 7/8	75 1/4	75 3/4-7/8	75 3/4-7/8	:76 1/8	75 1/2	76		
10	:74 1/8	73 3/8	74 1/8	:75 5/8	75 1/4	75 1/4-3/8	75 1/4-3/8	:76 1/8	75 5/8	75 7/8		
11	:74	73 1/4	73 1/2	:75 3/8	74 1/4	74 5/8	74 5/8	:75 7/8	74 3/4	75 1/8		
Saturday	:			:				:				
Sunday	:			:				:				
14	:73 3/4	72 5/8	72 3/4	:74 1/2	73 3/4	73 3/4-7/8	73 3/4-7/8	:75 1/8	74 3/8	74 3/8-1/2		
15	:72 3/4	72	72 3/8	:74	73 1/8	73 1/4	73 1/4	:74 3/8	73 3/4	73 3/4		
16	:72 7/8	72 1/8	72 3/4	:73 7/8	73 1/4	73 1/2-5/8	73 1/2-5/8	:74 3/4	73 3/4	74 3/8-1/2		
17	:72 3/4	71	71 3/8-1/2	:73 3/4	72 1/8	72 3/8	72 3/8	:74 3/8	73	73 3/8-1/2		
18	:72 1/4	71	72-72 1/4	:73 1/4	72	73-73 1/8	73-73 1/8	:73 3/4	72 7/8	73 3/4		
Saturday	:			:				:				
Sunday	:			:				:				
21	:72 3/4	70 1/4	70 1/4-71	:73 5/8	72 7/8	73 1/2-5/8	73 1/2-5/8	:74 1/2	73 5/8	74 1/4		
22	----	----	----	:74 1/4	73 1/8	74-74 1/4	74-74 1/4	:74 3/4	73 7/8	74 1/2-3/4		
23	----	----	----	:74 1/2	73 7/8	74-74 1/8	74-74 1/8	:74 3/4	74 1/8	74 1/8-1/4		
24	----	----	----	:74 7/8	73 5/8	74 1/2	74 1/2	:75	73 3/4	74 5/8		
25	----	----	----	:75 3/8	74 3/8	74 1/2-5/8	74 1/2-5/8	:75 1/2	74 5/8	74 7/8		
Saturday	:			:				:				
Sunday	:			:				:				
28	----	----	----	:75 1/4	74 1/2	75-75 1/8	75-75 1/8	:75 5/8	74 7/8	75 3/8-1/2		
29	----	----	----	:75 1/2	74 5/8	75-75 1/8	75-75 1/8	:75 3/4	75 1/8	75 1/2		
30	----	----	----	:74 3/4	73 5/8	73 3/4-7/8	73 3/4-7/8	:75 1/8	74 1/8	74 1/4		



Table 18. RYE: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: Chicago : Board of : Trade	: Minneapolis : Grain : Exchange	: Other : contract : markets	: : :	Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000		1,000
September	bushels	bushels	bushels		bushels
1	5,262	103	22		5,387
2	4,265	86	7		4,358
3	2,563	76	6		2,645
4	2,714	28	8		2,750
Saturday					
Sunday					
Holiday					
8	2,110	38	6		2,154
9	5,263	63	11		5,337
10	1,836	43	7		1,886
11	2,654	39	1		2,694
Saturday					
Sunday					
14	5,300	26	12		5,338
15	3,584	60	36		3,680
16	3,136	49	14		3,199
17	4,429	84	27		4,540
18	2,690	16	26		2,732
Saturday					
Sunday					
21	2,245	15	20		2,280
22	2,804	6	13		2,823
23	3,659	59	39		3,757
24	3,684	49	15		3,748
25	5,443	42	27		5,512
Saturday					
Sunday					
28	5,576	73	15		5,664
29	4,101	12	7		4,120
30	4,103	6	30		4,139
Total					
Sept. 1953	77,421	973	349		78,743
Aug. 1953	75,817	2,362	405		78,584
Sept. 1952	40,529	1,588	277		42,394

Table 19. RYE: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1953 September	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	1,236	2,652	576	708	90	5,262
2	606	2,637	454	558	10	4,265
3	290	1,474	237	552	10	2,563
4	209	1,682	383	400	40	2,714
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
8	161	1,524	184	236	5	2,110
9	397	3,246	805	705	110	5,263
10	110	1,225	231	270	---	1,836
11	94	1,809	306	370	75	2,654
Saturday						
Sunday						
14	178	3,160	597	1,282	83	5,300
15	145	2,071	608	693	67	3,584
16	32	1,816	689	542	57	3,136
17	119	2,833	458	894	125	4,429
18	61	1,774	356	471	28	2,690
Saturday						
Sunday						
21	258	1,435	143	372	37	2,245
22	---	1,452	465	863	24	2,804
23	---	2,077	743	688	151	3,659
24	---	2,091	518	1,048	27	3,684
25	---	3,377	836	1,173	57	5,443
Saturday						
Sunday						
28	---	2,924	1,100	1,440	112	5,576
29	---	2,552	633	833	83	4,101
30	---	1,898	880	1,157	168	4,103
Total						
Sept. 1953	3,896	45,709	11,202	15,255	1,359	77,421
Aug. 1953	17,648	39,214	8,770	10,160	25	75,817
Sept. 1952	5,844	19,403	---	14,366	916	40,529

Table 20. RYE: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: Chicago : Board of : Trade	: Minneapolis : : Grain : : Exchange :	: Other : : contract : : markets :	: Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
<u>September</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	18,126	772	83	18,981
2	18,370	754	87	19,211
3	18,511	739	86	19,336
4	18,599	754	86	19,439
Saturday				
Sunday				
Holiday				
8	18,798	757	87	19,642
9	19,384	754	85	20,223
10	19,407	762	85	20,254
11	19,925	754	86	20,765
Saturday				
Sunday				
14	20,127	755	86	20,968
15	20,182	750	94	21,026
16	20,400	738	108	21,246
17	21,294	701	93	22,088
18	21,249	693	105	22,047
Saturday				
Sunday				
21	21,391	690	121	22,202
22	21,562	692	124	22,378
23	21,891	706	90	22,687
24	21,822	727	96	22,645
25	22,071	724	92	22,887
Saturday				
Sunday				
28	22,551	712	101	23,364
29	22,712	711	108	23,531
30	23,204	717	96	24,017

Table 21. RYE: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future					All futures
	September	December	March	May	July	
1953 September	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	1,572	11,339	2,394	2,726	95	18,126
2	1,016	11,937	2,489	2,823	105	18,370
3	799	12,255	2,451	2,896	110	18,511
4	618	12,276	2,619	2,936	150	18,599
Saturday						
Sunday						
Holiday						
8	552	12,475	2,619	3,002	150	18,798
9	637	12,483	2,768	3,276	220	19,384
10	474	12,569	2,875	3,269	220	19,407
11	446	13,004	2,941	3,309	225	19,925
Saturday						
Sunday						
14	353	12,962	3,052	3,522	238	20,127
15	276	12,889	3,144	3,591	282	20,182
16	266	12,905	3,201	3,738	290	20,400
17	310	13,521	3,190	3,883	390	21,294
18	239	13,482	3,185	3,954	389	21,249
Saturday						
Sunday						
21	127	13,661	3,194	4,003	406	21,391
22	25	13,601	3,331	4,197	408	21,562
23	---	13,741	3,469	4,192	489	21,891
24	---	13,562	3,497	4,259	504	21,822
25	---	13,295	3,724	4,537	515	22,071
Saturday						
Sunday						
28	---	13,176	4,038	4,776	561	22,551
29	---	13,276	4,037	4,806	593	22,712
30	---	13,395	4,135	5,060	614	23,204

Table 22. RYE: Daily closing prices, at Chicago, Minneapolis and Winnipeg  
September 1953

Date	1953 December future		
	Chicago	Minneapolis	Winnipeg
	Board of	Grain	Grain
	Trade	Exchange	Exchange
1953 September	Cents	Cents	Cents 1/
1	110 3/4-11	112 1/2	102 3/4
2	113-13 1/4	116 3/4 a	105
3	112-12 1/4	115 3/4 a	104 b
4	113-13 1/2	118 b	106 5/8
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
8	114 3/4-15	118 3/4 b	108 1/8
9	116 1/2	119	108 3/4
10	115 1/4	119 1/2 a	108 3/8 b
11	112 5/8-13	118 1/4 b	108 1/4
Saturday			
Sunday			
14	109 1/4-1/2	115 1/2	105
15	107 3/4-08 1/4	113	104 1/4
16	111 1/4	116 b	106 1/2 a
17	108 1/2-3/4	114 1/2 b	104 1/2 a
18	110 1/4-3/4	115 b	105 1/8 a
Saturday			
Sunday			
21	110 1/4-3/4	115 1/4 a	106 1/4 b
22	110	116 1/4 b	106 1/8 b
23	108-08 1/8	113 1/4 a	104 3/8-1/2
24	110 1/4-1/2	115	105 5/8
25	114	117 1/4 b	107 1/8 b
Saturday			
Sunday			
28	115 1/4-1/2	120 a	109 7/8
29	113 1/4-1/2	117 3/4 a	107 7/8-08
30	112 1/4-1/2	116 1/2 a	106 5/8-7/8

1/ Quotations converted into U. S. currency.



Table 23. RYE: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1953

Date	1953 September future			1953 December future			1954 March future		
	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing	High	Low	Closing
1953 :									
September:	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	105 1/4	101	104 1/4-1/2	112 3/4	107 1/2	110 3/4-11	118 1/2	113 1/2	116
2	108 1/2	104 5/8	107 1/4	115	111	113-13 1/4	120 1/4	116 3/4	118 1/2
3	106 1/2	105	105 1/2	112 3/4	111 1/4	112-12 1/4	118 1/4	116 1/2	117 1/4-1/2
4	108 3/8	105	108	114	111	113-13 1/2	118 3/4	116	118 1/4-1/2
Saturday :									
Sunday :									
Holiday :									
8	110	107	110	115	113	114 3/4-15	120 1/4	118	120-20 1/4
9	113 1/4	110	110 1/2	118 3/4	115 3/8	116 1/2	123 3/4	120 1/4	121 1/2
10	111	109 3/4	110-10 1/4	117	115 1/4	115 1/4	121 3/4	120 1/4	120 1/4
11	110 1/4	108 a	108 a	116 1/4	112 5/8	112 5/8-13	120 1/2	118 1/4	118 1/4-3/4
Saturday :									
Sunday :									
14	107	104 1/4	104 1/2-3/4	113 1/4	108 3/4	109 1/4-1/2	118 1/2	114	114-14 1/4
15	106	103 1/2	103 1/2	110 1/2	107 3/4	107 3/4-08 1/4	115 3/4	112 1/2	112 1/2
16	107	106	107	111 7/8	108 1/2	111 1/4	117 1/2	113 3/4	116
17	106	103 1/2	103 1/2	110 3/4	107 3/4	108 1/2-3/4	116 1/2	113 1/2	114
18	105 1/2	104 1/2	105 1/4	110 3/4	107 7/8	110 1/4-3/4	116 1/4	113 1/4	116-16 1/4
Saturday :									
Sunday :									
21	108	105 3/4	105 3/4-06	112 1/4	110	110 1/4-3/4	117	115 1/2	115 1/2
22	---	---	---	111 1/4	109 1/4	110	116 1/2	114 1/2	115
23	---	---	---	111 1/2	108	108-08 1/8	116 1/2	113	113-13 1/2
24	---	---	---	111 1/2	108	110 1/4-1/2	116 3/4	113	115 1/4-3/4
25	---	---	---	115	111 1/4	114	119 3/4	116 1/2	118 3/4
Saturday :									
Sunday :									
28	---	---	---	117 1/4	114	115 1/4-1/2	122 1/4	118 3/4	120-20 1/4
29	---	---	---	116 1/4	113 1/8	113 1/4-1/2	121	118 1/4	118 1/2
30	---	---	---	113 1/8	111 3/4	112 1/4-1/2	118 1/4	116 1/2	117 1/4-1/2

Table 24. GRAIN SORGHUMS: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Kansas City Board of Trade	Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	pounds	pounds	pounds
1	---	---	---
2	---	---	---
3	---	---	---
4	---	---	---
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
8	---	---	---
9	---	---	---
10	---	---	---
11	---	---	---
Saturday			
Sunday			
14	---	---	---
15	1,800	---	1,800
16	---	840	840
17	---	---	---
18	---	---	---
Saturday			
Sunday			
21	---	---	---
22	---	2,800	2,800
23	---	---	---
24	---	---	---
25	---	---	---
Saturday			
Sunday			
28	---	---	---
29	---	---	---
30	---	1,400	1,400
Total			
September 1953	1,800	5,040	6,840
August 1953	---	3,360	3,360
September 1952	13,800	24,080	37,880

Table 25. GRAIN SORGHUMS: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future		All futures
	December	March	
1953 <u>September</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>	<u>1,000 pounds</u>
1			---
2			---
3			---
4			---
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
8			---
9			---
10			---
11			---
Saturday			
Sunday			
14			
15	900	900	1,800
16	---	---	---
17	---	---	---
18	---	---	---
Saturday			
Sunday			
21	---	---	---
22	---	---	---
23	---	---	---
24	---	---	---
25	---	---	---
Saturday			
Sunday			
28	---	---	---
29	---	---	---
30	---	---	---
Total			
Sept. 1953	900	900	1,800
Aug. 1953	---	---	---
Sept. 1952	11,700	---	1/13,800

1/ Includes 2,100 September future.



Table 26. GRAIN SORGHUMS: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets  
September 1953

Date	: : Chicago : Board of : Trade	: : Kansas City : Board of : Trade	: : Total
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000
<u>September</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>
1	---	1,960	1,960
2	---	1,960	1,960
3	---	1,960	1,960
4	---	1,960	1,960
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
8	---	1,960	1,960
9	---	1,960	1,960
10	---	1,960	1,960
11	---	1,960	1,960
Saturday			
Sunday			
14	---	1,960	1,960
15	1,800	1,960	3,760
16	1,800	2,800	4,600
17	1,800	2,800	4,600
18	1,800	2,800	4,600
Saturday			
Sunday			
21	1,800	2,800	4,600
22	1,800	5,600	7,400
23	1,800	5,600	7,400
24	1,800	5,600	7,400
25	1,800	5,600	7,400
Saturday			
Sunday			
28	1,800	5,600	7,400
29	1,800	5,600	7,400
30	1,800	7,000	8,800

Table 27. GRAIN SORGHUMS: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future		All futures
	December	March	
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000
<u>September</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>
1			---
2			---
3			---
4			---
Saturday			
Sunday			
Holiday			
8			---
9			---
10			---
11			---
Saturday			
Sunday			
14			---
15	900	900	1,800
16	900	900	1,800
17	900	900	1,800
18	900	900	1,800
Saturday			
Sunday			
21	900	900	1,800
22	900	900	1,800
23	900	900	1,800
24	900	900	1,800
25	900	900	1,800
Saturday			
Sunday			
28	900	900	1,800
29	900	900	1,800
30	900	900	1,800

Table 28. GRAIN SORGHUMS: Daily closing prices, at Chicago and Kansas City  
September 1953

Date	1953 December future	
	Chicago	Kansas City
	Board of	Board of
	Trade	Trade
1953 September	Cents	Cents
1		235
2		235
3		235
4		235
Saturday		
Sunday		
Holiday		
8		235
9		240
10		240
11		240
Saturday		
Sunday		
14		240
15	272	237
16	265 b-80 a	232
17	265 b-80 a	232
18	265 b-75 a	232
Saturday		
Sunday		
21	270 n	232
22	270 n	232
23	270 n	232
24	270 n	232
25	270 n	233
Saturday		
Sunday		
28	270 n	233
29	270 n	233
30	270 n	232 1/2

Table 29. GRAIN SORGHUMS: High, low and closing prices, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	1953 December future			1954 March future		
	:High	Low	Closing	:High	Low	Closing
1953	:			:		
September	:Cents	Cents	Cents	:Cents	Cents	Cents
1	:			:		
2	:			:		
3	:			:		
4	:			:		
Saturday	:			:		
Sunday	:			:		
Holiday	:			:		
8	:			:		
9	:			:		
10	:			:		
11	:			:		
Saturday	:			:		
Sunday	:			:		
14	:			:		
15	:272	272	272	:281	281	281
16	:---	---	265 b-80 a	:---	--	281 n
17	:---	---	265 b-80 a	:---	---	281 n
18	:---	---	265 b-75 a	:---	---	281 n
Saturday	:			:		
Sunday	:			:		
21	:---	---	270 n	:---	---	281 n
22	:---	---	270 n	:---	---	281 n
23	:---	---	270 n	:---	---	281 n
24	:---	---	270 n	:---	---	281 n
25	:---	---	270 n	:---	---	281 n
Saturday	:			:		
Sunday	:			:		
28	:---	---	270 n	:---	---	281 n
29	:---	---	270 n	:---	---	281 n
30	:---	---	270 n	:---	---	281 n

Table 30. SOYBEANS: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future						All futures
	September	November	January	March	May	July	
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	2,063	5,931	1,828	1,155	861		11,838
2	1,128	4,672	1,389	917	737		8,843
3	1,077	4,908	1,094	709	622		8,410
4	1,033	5,014	1,849	723	714		9,333
Saturday							
Sunday							
Holiday							
6	631	3,184	1,135	499	649		6,098
9	749	4,785	1,461	948	815	20	8,778
10	1,327	4,517	1,108	1,072	574	36	8,634
11	1,055	4,900	1,566	1,314	843	47	9,725
Saturday							
Sunday							
14	1,309	4,678	1,711	1,077	635	44	9,454
15	2,133	6,985	2,665	1,409	1,042	168	14,402
16	1,105	7,262	2,319	1,776	875	166	13,503
17	1,505	6,698	2,130	1,281	763	100	12,477
18	979	6,004	2,199	1,043	1,073	147	11,445
Saturday							
Sunday							
21	3,333	4,735	1,393	669	449	198	10,777
22	---	8,042	2,372	1,843	1,655	591	14,503
23	---	9,826	3,813	2,125	2,081	1,123	18,968
24	---	8,314	2,393	2,074	1,310	828	14,919
25	---	7,343	2,218	1,547	1,456	664	13,228
Saturday							
Sunday							
28	---	8,386	3,028	2,732	1,591	827	16,564
29	---	7,654	3,271	2,062	1,700	771	15,458
30	---	8,998	4,174	2,512	2,505	762	18,951
Total							
Sept. 1953	19,427	132,836	45,116	29,487	22,950	6,492	256,308
Aug. 1953	48,719	70,261	19,391	14,782	9,290	---	162,443
Sept. 1952	53,375	138,792	40,325	19,523	18,486	4,022	274,523

NOTE: Trading in Soybeans on the Chicago Board of Trade during September 1953 amounted to approximately 99 percent of all trading in this commodity.



Table 31. SOYBEANS: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade  
September 1953

Date	Future						All futures
	September	November	January	March	May	July	
1953	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
September	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	5,210	12,062	10,282	9,299	6,153		43,006
2	4,925	12,294	10,078	9,246	6,232		42,775
3	4,705	12,682	10,035	9,227	6,289		42,938
4	4,596	13,086	10,176	9,184	6,192		43,234
Saturday							
Sunday							
Holiday							
8	4,349	13,041	10,071	9,152	6,186		42,799
9	4,236	12,934	9,851	9,229	6,172	15	42,437
10	3,903	12,720	9,979	9,279	6,344	51	42,276
11	3,652	13,084	9,947	9,511	6,477	61	42,732
Saturday							
Sunday							
14	3,382	13,166	9,905	9,408	6,390	87	42,338
15	3,043	12,966	10,229	9,415	6,491	215	42,359
16	2,766	13,381	10,025	9,714	6,481	301	42,668
17	2,508	14,244	10,487	9,883	6,570	326	44,018
18	2,216	14,440	10,710	10,202	6,853	394	44,815
Saturday							
Sunday							
21	740	14,647	10,930	10,443	6,961	511	44,232
22	740	14,226	11,460	10,849	7,281	700	45,256
23	740	13,317	12,062	10,997	7,635	1,226	45,977
24	740	13,702	12,212	11,663	7,909	1,622	47,848
25	725	14,327	12,291	11,848	8,371	1,796	49,358
Saturday							
Sunday							
28	435	14,641	12,982	12,297	8,611	2,071	51,037
29	300	15,279	13,735	12,639	8,972	2,291	53,216
30	---	14,864	14,286	12,824	9,312	2,468	53,754

NOTE: Open contracts in Soybeans on the Chicago Board of Trade during the month of September 1953 accounted for over 99 percent of all futures contracts outstanding in this commodity.

Table 32. SOYBEANS: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, September 1953

Date	1953 September future				1953 November future				1954 January future			
	:High	Low	Closing	:	:High	Low	Closing	:	:High	Low	Closing	:
1953												
September:	Cents	Cents	Cents		Cents	Cents	Cents		Cents	Cents	Cents	
1	:262 1/4	258	260 1/2-3/4		:259	254 1/2	257 3/4-58		:262	257 1/4	260 3/4	
2	:262	257 3/4	257 3/4		:258 1/2	255	255-55 1/4		:260 3/4	257 1/2	257 1/2-58	
3	:256 7/8	254 3/4	256 1/2-3/4		:254	251 1/4	252 3/4-53 1/4		:256 1/2	254	255 3/4	
4	:259 3/4	255 1/2	259-59 3/4		:255	251 3/4	254 1/4-1/2		:257 1/4	254	257	
Saturday:												
Sunday:												
Holiday:												
8	:260	257 1/4	259 3/4		:256 1/2	254	256		:258 1/2	256	258 1/4-1/2	
9	:261 1/2	259	259 1/2-3/4		:258 1/2	255 5/8	256 1/4		:260 1/2	257 3/4	257 3/4	
10	:263 1/4	259 3/4	262-62 1/4		:259	256	257 3/4-58		:260 1/2	257 3/4	259 1/2-3/4	
11	:264 1/4	260 1/4	260 1/4		:260	257 1/4	257 1/4-1/2		:261	258 3/4	259 1/4-1/2	
Saturday:												
Sunday:												
14	:260	255 3/4	255 3/4		:256 3/4	253 1/4	253 3/4-54		:258 1/4	255 1/4	255 1/4-1/2	
15	:257	250 1/4	250 3/4		:253 3/4	248	248 3/4-49		:254 3/4	249 1/4	250 1/4-1/2	
16	:254 1/2	249 1/2	253 3/4-54 1/2		:252 1/2	248	252-52 1/4		:254	249 1/2	253 3/4	
17	:257 3/4	252 3/4	257 1/2		:254 1/4	251	253-53 1/4		:255 3/4	252 1/2	254 1/4-1/2	
18	:260 1/2	256 3/4	259 1/2-60		:255 3/4	253 1/4	254 3/4-55		:257 3/8	254 1/2	256 1/2-3/4	
Saturday:												
Sunday:												
21	:263 3/8	260	261 1/2-63		:256 3/4	254 1/4	255 1/4-3/4		:258 1/2	255 3/4	256 3/4-57	
22	---	---	---		:258 3/4	254 1/2	258-58 1/2		:260 3/4	256 3/8	260 1/4	
23	---	---	---		:262 1/4	257 1/2	260 3/4-61		:263 3/4	259 1/4	262 1/2-3/4	
24	---	---	---		:261 3/4	258 1/4	258 1/4-1/2		:263	260	260-60 1/4	
25	---	---	---		:259 1/4	257	257-57 1/4		:260 1/2	258 1/4	258 1/2-3/4	
Saturday:												
Sunday:												
28	---	---	---		:261 1/2	256	259 5/8-60		:263 1/2	257 1/2	262-62 1/4	
29	---	---	---		:262 1/2	260 1/2	262-62 1/2		:264 1/2	262 1/2	264	
30	---	---	---		:264 3/4	261 1/4	261 1/4-1/2		:266 1/2	262 3/4	262 3/4-63	





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